SENATE BILL No. 35

Introduced by Senator Wiener

December 5, 2016

An act relating to housing.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 35, as introduced, Wiener. Planning and Zoning: affordable housing: streamline.

The Planning and Zoning Law requires a city or county to adopt a general plan for land use development within its boundaries that includes, among other things, a housing element. Existing law provides for various incentives intended to facilitate and expedite the construction of affordable housing. Existing law requires the Department of Housing and Community Development to determine existing and projected needs for housing for each region and, in consultation with each council of governments, adopt a final regional housing plan that allocates a share of the regional housing need to each city, county, or city and county that meets specified requirements.

This bill would state the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation to streamline, incentivize, and remove local barriers to housing creation, as specified.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. It is the intent of the Legislature to enact
- 2 legislation to streamline and incentivize the creation of affordable
- 3 housing projects, to remove local barriers to creating affordable
- 4 housing in all communities, to streamline, incentivize, and remove

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- local barriers to housing creation in jurisdictions failing to meet
- 2 their regional housing needs contained in their housing element,
- 3 and to ensure the payment of prevailing rate of wages in the
- 4 creation of this housing.